

Augustana Lutheran Church

135 Atwood Street, Shakopee, Minnesota 55379
Worship: 9:30 AM with Bible Class following the service

Reminiscere

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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS in the name of Jesus Christ! Augustana Lutheran Church confesses and practices the full truth of God's Word, a heritage passed down to us by Luther, and confirmed in the public confessions of our church. We believe that the Bible in all its parts is inspired by the Holy Spirit, error-free, and the only source of divine revelation and absolute truth. If you have any questions about such Bible doctrine, or about our congregation, please direct them to Pastor Diers or Pastor King.

General Prayer

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hast created all things visible and invisible, grant us true faith by thine mighty Word. Grant that we may see that man's chief end is to believe in thee and in him whom thou didst send, even our Lord Jesus.

We thank thee, O Father, that thou hast not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us. As thou hast spoken unto us through him, may we believe His Word to our salvation, and find in Him our motivation to do every good work, that we might please thee in all things. As thou hast given Him a name above every name, may we give him our love, our praise, and our adoration; and as He lives and reigns forever, may we ever live together with him. O God of all grace by thy Son, our Savior, sanctify us wholly, that in spirit and soul and body we may be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

And as thou wilt have all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth, stir up thy church to send men to preach the Gospel at home and abroad. Endow them with the heart to pray, give, and labor for the salvation of all men.

We pray for all men: for all in authority, that they may have respect unto thy holy will; for all who know not Jesus as Savior, that they may hear and believe the Gospel; for all who are in danger, that they may be preserved from harm.

Grant that our homes may be tabernacles of thy Spirit. Make all who live there increase in love one toward another. Give to all mothers the grace of spiritual wisdom; to all fathers the gift of a good conscience; to all children the spirit of obedience.

Have mercy upon us this day, O Lord. Forgive our sins. Strengthen the weak. Correct the disobedient. Grant us thine aid in all trials of body and soul.

These things we ask in the Name of thy Son Jesus who gave his life a ransom for us all that he might bring us unto thee. Amen.

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Pastor Martin Diers

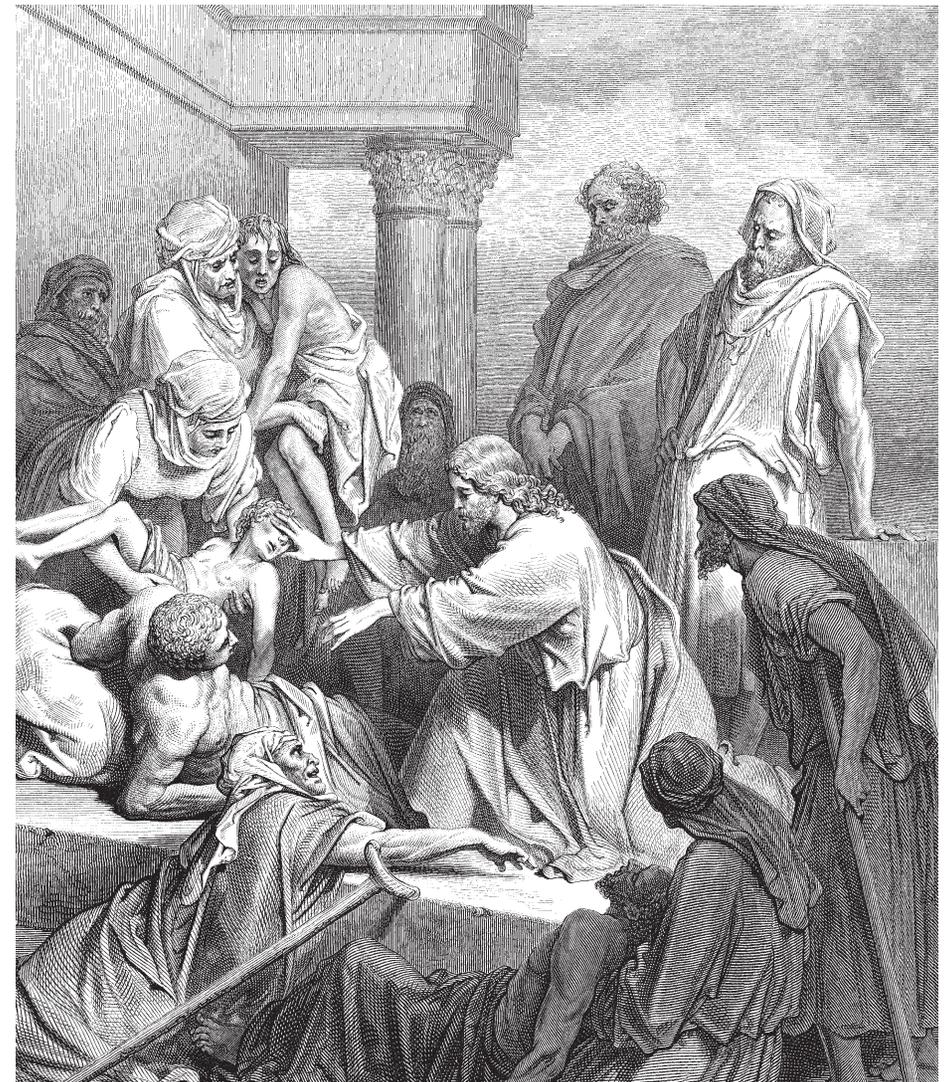
Pastor Bruce King

*Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets
Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone*

Reminiscere The Second Sunday in Lent March 4, 2012

Announcements

Today we joyfully mark the first anniversary of Pastor King's installation here at augustana.



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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 33:17-23

So the Lord said to Moses, “I will also do this thing that you have spoken; for you have found grace in My sight, and I know you by name.” And he said, “Please, show me Your glory.” Then He said, “I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.” But He said, “You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live.” And the Lord said, “Here is a place by Me, and you shall stand on the rock. “So it shall be, while My glory passes by, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by. “Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen.”

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7

Finally then, brethren, we urge and exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God; for you know what commandments we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in holiness.

GOSPEL LESSON and SERMON TEXT Matthew 15:21-28

Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon–possessed.” But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, “Send her

away, for she cries out after us.” But He answered and said, “I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, “Lord, help me!” But He answered and said, “It is not good to take the children’s bread and throw it to the little dogs.” And she said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered and said to her, “O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed from that very hour.